



HAWAII STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

State of Hawaii • Bishop Square, 1001 Bishop Street, ASB Tower 970 • Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

July 11, 2007

Joint Senate-House Investigative Committee
to Investigate the Bureau of Conveyances
Hawai'i State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Co-Chair Senator Jill Tokuda; Co-Chair Representative Joseph Souki; and Members of the Committee, Senator Carol Fukunaga; Senator David Ige; Senator Russell Kokubun; Senator Mike Gabbard; Representative Sharon Har; Representative Karl Rhoads; Representative James Tokioka; and Representative Cynthia Thielen:

I am delivering to you today the documents you subpoenaed on June 25, 2007, from our office regarding the investigation of the Bureau of Conveyances. The majority of these documents relate to an investigation of the Bureau of Conveyances done by Hilton J. Lui pursuant to a contract our office had with Mr. Lui for investigative services.

With regard to the investigation of the Bureau of Conveyances by Mr. Lui, I have stated before that I consider the investigation by Mr. Lui biased and therefore untrustworthy and thus null and void, since Mr. Lui lobbied against the confirmation of Peter Young while investigating the Bureau of Conveyances.

I have discussed this matter with the Chair of the Hawaii State Ethics Commission, Mr. Robert R. Bean. It is his position, after discussing the matter with me, that because of Mr. Lui's bias and personal involvement in this case, our office cannot rely on Mr. Lui's investigation. Therefore, it is the position of the Hawaii State Ethics Commission that Mr. Lui's work should not be construed by anyone as endorsed by or accepted by the Hawaii State Ethics Commission as to its validity, or considered the work of the Hawaii State Ethics Commission. The Chair of the Hawaii State Ethics Commission has decided that the Hawaii State Ethics Commission will initiate a new investigation of the Bureau of Conveyances.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel J. Mollway".

Daniel J. Mollway
Executive Director
and General Counsel

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